

SRDG NEWSLETTER

The Southern Regional Demographic Group, Inc. is a scientific and educational corporation operating under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia. It is comprised of persons with professional interests in demography and population studies. The Newsletter is compiled and edited by Stanley K. Smith, Bureau of Economic and Business Research, University of Florida.

ANNUAL MEETING HELD

The Southern Regional Demographic Group held its 12th annual meeting on October 14-16 in Little Rock, Arkansas. Total registration was 107. Many excellent sessions were held, accompanied by the usual informal exchange of ideas, opinions, pieces of information, and so forth. One of the highlights of the meeting was the presidential luncheon at which Donna Alvarado of the U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Immigration and Refugee Policy brought us up to date on the Reagan Administration's immigration policies and Jim Guy Tucker, former U.S. Congressman from Arkansas, gave his views from the perspective of a state which has been substantially affected by recent immigration. Special thanks go to President Thomas Espenshade and President-Elect Anne Lee for putting together an excellent program and to Forrest Pollard for his diligence in handling local arrangements.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors was held on October 14. At the meeting it was decided that a membership survey with biographical information (including statement of areas of interest) would be undertaken as part of the 1982 dues/preregistration mailing. It is hoped that this will allow a complete membership directory to be available at the 1982 annual meeting. Secretary/Treasurer Bill Serow was instructed by the Board to carry out this task. At the present time there are 374 persons on the SRDG membership role, with 144 having paid dues for 1982.

President Thomas Espenshade announced that Jeanne C. Biggar of the University of Virginia had been elected to the position of president-elect for 1982 and that V. Jeffrey Evans of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development had been elected to a three-year term on the Board of Directors. Ken Shin of the University of South Carolina was elected vice president of SRDG for the coming year. Espenshade also appointed, with the

advice and consent of the Board, the following to serve as the nominating committee for 1982:

Calvin L. Beale (chair)--U.S.
Department of Agriculture
Norfleet W. Rives--University of
Delaware
Isaac W. Eberstein--Florida State
University

Bill Serow presented a request from the Southern Regional Science Association (SRSA) that the SRDG co-sponsor some sessions at the 1982 meeting of the SRSA in Knoxville, May 30-June 1. The SRSA is a group of persons interested in social science research pertaining to the South. This request was approved and Serow was charged with coordinating the activity.

Chris Hale of the University of Alabama-Birmingham appraised the Board of plans of the Membership Committee for the coming year. This committee will canvass members of PAA or participants in PAA programs who live in the South but do not belong to the SRDG, and will focus on that segment of the PAA membership whose research interests suggest they might be interested in SRDG membership. The committee plans to contact several hundred such persons during the coming year.

1982 SRDG MEETING

The 1982 SRDG meeting will be held in Greensboro, North Carolina, on October 6-8, 1982. President-elect Jeanne C. Biggar is program chairperson and Daniel O. Price is local arrangements chairperson. Please send any suggestions regarding contributed paper sessions, luncheon roundtable discussions, invited speakers, etc, to:

Jeanne C. Biggar
Department of Sociology
University of Virginia
535 Cabell Hall
Charlottesville, VA 22903

BUDGET APPROVED

The following budget was approved by the Board of Directors for fiscal years 1982 and 1983:

	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Newsletter	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,350
Ballot/Dues Mailing	120	130
Annual Meeting	1,600	1,800
Secretary/Treasurer	325	325
Legal	50	10
Travel	500	0
Archives	50	55
Dues	10	10
Membership Committee	100	125
Membership Survey	150	0
Program Committee	100	100
Total	4,205	3,905
INCOME		
Dues	1,700	1,700
Annual Meeting	2,500	2,500
Interest	250	250
Royalties	50	75
Total	4,500	4,525
BUDGET SURPLUS	295	620

JOB MART

Winthrop College. Seeking an Assistant Professor of Sociology to teach undergraduate courses in introductory sociology and methods of social research, conduct empirical research and serve as consultant to the department in research design and data analysis, beginning August 15, 1982. Qualifications: Ph.D. in sociology or substantial progress toward completing the dissertation; research skills; commitment to scholarly achievement and related public service; and evidence of ability to teach well at the college level. Background in research methodology, statistics and computer software preferred. Employment conditions: nine-month, full-time appointment with option of summer employment if funds are available; salary dependent upon qualifications. Application Procedure: send vita, names and addresses of three references, copies of publications or papers presented at professional meetings and a detailed statement of research interests to:

C. Jack Tucker, Chairman
Department of Sociology
Winthrop College
Rock Hill, SC 29733

Deadline for application is November 18, 1981, but will be extended if acceptable candidate has not been found. For further information call (803) 323-2181.

Illinois Department of Public Health. Seeking a Research Scientist/Demographer to collect demographic data; develop population estimates by age, race and sex; prepare age-sex-race adjusted mortality rates; serve as Illinois' representative to the Federal-State Cooperative Program for Population Estimates; and participate in a variety of analyses of population data and estimation techniques. Qualifications: masters or higher degree in demography; one or more years of research experience; competence in statistical research methods and use of canned computer programs (SPSS, BMD). Salary Range: \$19,632-25,308 plus benefits. Application Procedure: send copy of vita and Illinois' Personnel Form DP100 to:

Charles E. Bennett, Chief
Division of Health Information
and Evaluation
Illinois Department of Public
Health
525 West Jefferson Street-3rd
Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

For further information call (217) 785-2045.

NEW PUBLICATION FOR DEMOGRAPHERS?

Approximately 22 people met on October 15 at the SRDG meeting in Little Rock to discuss the possibility of establishing a new journal devoted to applied demographic research. This journal would focus on techniques for estimating and projecting population, the production of demographic data and the analysis of demographic trends. Particular emphasis would be placed on articles relating to small areas. The publication's audience would be comprised of persons from areas such as public sector planning, market research and academia. Topics discussed at the Little Rock meeting included editorial policy, format and sources of funding. Anyone desiring more information or willing to contribute ideas, time or money is urged to contact:

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Cameron University
Lawton, OK 73503
(405) 248-2200
or
George Dailey
Oklahoma City Office of
Research & Development
Oklahoma City, OK 73102
(405) 231-2820

COMMITTEE ON APPLIED DEMOGRAPHY

The Board of Directors of SRDG has granted standing committee status to the Committee on Applied Demography. The Committee will be chaired by Julia Martin, with Ken Shin as ex officio board representative. Among its functions will be planning for an informal gathering of interested people at next year's meeting; suggesting sessions of particular interest to those working in the applied field and providing assistance in locating presenters for such sessions; working with the membership committee to recruit members from the applied sector; and providing an informal liaison with the PAA Committee on State and Local Demography and other demographic organizations. SRDG members are invited to participate in any or all of the Committee's functions, events and activities. In particular, if you have suggestions for sessions you would like to see on next year's program and/or suggestions for participants in these sessions, please send them to:

Julie H. Martin
Tayloe Murphy Institute
Dynamics Building 4th Floor
2015 Ivy Road
Charlottesville, VA 22903.



The deadline for sending in items for the February, 1982, issue of the SRDG Newsletter is January 25, 1982. Please send all items to:

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Bureau of Economic and Business
Research
221 Matherly Hall
University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida 32611
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PUBLICATIONS AND DATA

Industry by Occupation Data Matrix. Comparable data for 1950, 1960, and 1970 on employed males and females 14 years old and above, classified by occupation and industry, in the states of Alabama, Arkansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee. Data have been adjusted for non-comparability and missing data. Available for \$10 from:

Department of Sociology
Mississippi State University
Drawer C
Mississippi State, MS 39762.

For further information call Mohamed El-Attar at (601) 325-2495.

Change in the Black Population of Kentucky: 1960-1980 by Clarence Wurdock and Norrita Brown. Examines changes in the black population from 1960-1980 by Area Development Districts, metropolitan areas, counties and the 15 largest incorporated areas. Price \$2.25.

Preliminary Subcounty Population Estimates and Projections for Kentucky, 1980-1985 by James Brockway and Clarence Wurdock. Provides annual estimates and projections of counties and sub-county areas, 1980-1985. Price \$0.25. Copies of both publications are available from:

Population Research Unit
Urban Studies Center
University of Louisville
Gardencourt Campus
Alta Vista Road
Louisville, KY 40205.

Growth in Virginia, 1970-1980 by Julia H. Martin and Michael A. Spar. Examines 1970-1980 growth in Virginia and its subdivisions, focusing on population change, natural increase, net migration, black population, housing and population density. Copies are available for \$5.20 from:

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Dynamics Building-4th Floor
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Charlottesville, VA 22903

The Population of the South edited by Dudley Poston and Robert Weller, is now available from the University of Texas Press, Austin, TX 78712. Price is \$25. The SRDG receives all royalties from the sale of this book.

ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS DEMOGRAPHERS

Attempts are being made to form an association of business demographers to serve the needs of the growing number of people in the private sector who use demographic data. The purpose of this association is to provide a forum for the exchange of information regarding sources of data, techniques, applications, experiences with computer hardware and software, graphic methods for the display of information, advances in data dissemination and career opportunities in business demography. For further information contact:

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EDITORIAL

This marks my first issue as editor of the SRDG Newsletter. In true Lou Grant fashion I will try to ferret out "all the news that's fit to print" (maybe even more). I have two main objectives in editing this publication: 1) Provide the information that will be most interesting and useful to southern demographers 2) Keep you up to date on the activities of the SRDG and its members. To avoid excessive duplication of the efforts of other publications (e.g. PAA Affairs, Data User News) I plan to focus on items specifically related to the South. I would welcome any comments or suggestions you might have regarding the format, content and timeliness of the Newsletter. Since I don't yet have any well established patterns, now is the best time for you to make your ideas have an impact.

As editor of this Newsletter I don't have a crack team of ace reporters. Rather I will be relying on you to provide me with news stories. Through your day-to-day work routines you come across numerous items that would be of interest to your demographic colleagues: job openings, movement of SRDG members from one job to another, new sources of southern demographic data, new publications pertaining to the South, and so forth. As you come across such items take a minute to clip them out or write them down. Then send them to me. Send them right away; don't wait until the deadline approaches (things have a way of becoming lost or forgotten as time goes by). Don't be bashful--send items about yourself as well as about others. The deadline for sending in items for

the Newsletter will be the 25th of the month prior to the month of publication (e.g. deadline for the February issue will be January 25).

This is your Newsletter. My job is simply to put it together and send it out. I truly hope you will become actively involved by providing ideas and news items from time to time (I might even be willing to listen to criticisms). Through our combined efforts I believe we can make the Newsletter an ever more valuable source of information for SRDG members. S.K.S.

PERSONAL NOTES

Isaac Eberstein, formerly on the faculty at the University of Mississippi, has accepted a position as Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology and Center for the Study of Population at Florida State University.

Norman Weatherby, a student at Florida State University, has accepted a position on the faculty of the School of Public Health at Columbia University, beginning in January, 1982.

Kenneth Land, formerly of the University of Illinois, and Theresa Sullivan, formerly of the University of Chicago, have accepted positions in the Department of Sociology and Population Research Center at the University of Texas.

Dudley L. Poston, professor of sociology at the University of Texas, has become Director of the Population Research Center at that university.

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